IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Frank MAYER et al

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ELECTION AND AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 14, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

<u>Amendments to the Claims</u> are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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